Job in IT enabled services

1910. SHRIMATI VANGA GEETHA: Will the Minister of INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:

(a) the number of people employed with the Information Technology enabled services;

(b) the details thereof, State-wise; and

(c) the details of the steps being taken to create more job opportunities in the Information Technology enabled services?

THE MINISTER OF INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY (SHRI PRAMOD MAHAJAN): (a) As per National Association of Software and Services (NASSCOM) study, about 72000 people are presently employed in the IT enabled services sector.

(b) State-wise details of manpower employed in the IT enabled services sector is not available, however, most of the IT enabled services companies are in and around Delhi, Mumbai, Chennai, Hyderabad and Bangalore.

(c) India has been projected as the preferred destination to out-source/out-locate IT software services requirements. As a result, as per NASSCOM, this segment has grown more than 70% during the year. Many major international MNCs/Fortune 500 companies have already set up their operations in India creating more job opportunities.

Hardships faced by IT professionals

1911. DR. C. NARAYANA REDDY: Will the Minister of INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government feel that due to global economic slow down, IT professionals from India are facing hardships on account of layoffs in U.S. particularly in the post terrorist episode period;

(b) whether any study has been conducted on return of Indian IT professionals from U.S.; and